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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing for Office of Technology Assessment (OTA)
Staffers on Technology Transfer to China

1. On 12 March 1985, Directorate of Intelligence (DI) analysts briefed OTA staffers Alan Crane, Martha Harris, and Peter Sharfman on the Chinese science and technology establishment and its interest in importing sophisticated technology from the U.S. OTA's projected study on the implications of such transfers to China is discussed in the attached correspondence. The briefing took place in 4B42 from 1015 - 1145. Notes taken by Crane and Harris were forwarded by courier to OTA. [redacted]

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2. The following DI analysts participated in the briefing:

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)	Office of East Asian Analysis
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)	OSWR/Technology Transfer Center
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)	OSWR/Nuclear Energy Division

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[redacted] opened the briefing with a discussion of the Chinese military-industrial-scientific complex and its evolution leading to recent efforts to integrate basic research with production. He also noted a trend toward closer cooperation between the military and civilian sectors, particularly in the production field. Other topics discussed were the introduction of Chinese Technology Transfer Centers, priority developmental targets in the industrial sector and China's stress on self-reliance growing out of imported technology at the early stages of development. [redacted]

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3. This discussion was followed by consideration of nuclear power-related development. [redacted] pointed out China's interest in purchasing high technology with no strings

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attached and at bargain prices. He indicated China was shopping worldwide and may decide to forego its initial preference for U.S. purchases. China's general refusal to abide by post-purchase control stipulations was also discussed, particularly the security implications this poses for the U.S.

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4. The briefing ended with no specific follow-up requests. It is possible that as the OTA study progresses, we will receive additional briefing requests.

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